HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1216 By Brown

A RESOLUTION to commend Erick Burroughs for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Erick Burroughs is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Representative Tommie Brown; Mr. Burroughs's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at Tennessee State University, where he is highly regarded by his peers, Mr. Burroughs has achieved academic success while majoring in Psychology and Criminal Justice and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, an astute scholar, Mr. Burroughs has been named to the Dean's List, selected as a Tennessee Pre-Law Scholar at the University of Memphis, and has received the George W. Gore Honors Award, Junior Achievement Award, and the Graceland Gold Award; and

WHEREAS, an active and important part of his University, Mr. Burroughs has been an active member of the NAACP Chapter at Tennessee State University and the Psychology Club in addition to serving as President of the Criminal Justice Organization, Chairman of Expulsion Committee and Committee Chair of the Student Union Board of Governors, General Assembly Committee Chair and Representative, Chairman of B.E.T. College Tour, Chairman of the Guide Right Program and Chairman of the Academic Committee of Kappa Alpha Psi, and as Director of Kappa Pre-Law Organization; and

WHEREAS, aspiring to further his scholastic endeavors, Mr. Burroughs plans to attend the University of Tennessee College of Law this fall and, as a result of his dedication, hardwork, and commitment, he has been awarded a seven thousand dollar scholarship; and

WHEREAS, a public-minded citizen of the highest order, Mr. Burroughs has participated in Project C and Criminal Justice Awareness Seminars, as well as coordinated Law School tours and founded the Men of Distinction Program; and

WHEREAS, possessing a strong work ethic, Mr. Burroughs has been a highly respected employee of the Office of Graduate and Professional Opportunities at Tennessee State University, the National Bank of Commerce, and Elvis Presley Enterprises; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Burroughs's myriad accomplishments are a great source of pride for his parents, Frank and Josephine Burroughs, his brother, Derrick, his sister, Tomiko, his community, and his school; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Burroughs brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2004 session of the One Hundred Third General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2004 legislative session, Mr. Burroughs has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Burroughs has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Erick Burroughs for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Tommie Brown and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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